

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1-41. (canceled).

42. (new) A radially expandable tube consisting of extruded expanded polytetrafluoroethylene having a microstructure of nodes interconnected by fibrils and having an original inner diameter, wherein said tube is radially pre-dilated from said original inner diameter to an expanded diameter that is at least two times said original inner diameter and is sintered to contract said tube from said expanded diameter to a contracted diameter that is substantially the same as said original inner diameter, said tube exhibiting a radial expansion ratio of 1.0.

43. (new) The radially expandable tube according to claim 42, wherein said expanded diameter is at least three times said original inner diameter.

44. (new) The radially expandable tube according to claim 43, wherein said expanded diameter is at least four times said original inner diameter.

45. (new) The radially expandable tube according to claim 44, wherein said expanded diameter is at least five times said original inner diameter.

46. (new) The radially expandable tube according to claim 42, wherein said tube is attached to an expandable stent.